

Original claim 12 defined the structure and claimed subject matter found in Figure 6 of the application. Claim 12 clearly encompasses the device shown in Figure 6 and described at page 9, line 30 to page 10, line 2. Contrary to the position of the Office Action, claim 12 does not only cover a device have wires of multifilament strand. Rather, the claim clearly covers the device of Figure 6 which has strands 62 and 64, each of a different shape memory property. That Figures 15 and 16 and page 13 of the specification may involve a different construction does not mean that claim 12 cannot be read to cover the disclosure at page 9 and Figure 6.

CONCLUSION

Claim 12 corresponds to the count as shown above by the parsed claim sections. Claim 21, which was copied more than one year after the patent issued at the Examiner's request, is substantially the same invention as was claimed in original claim 12, which was present before the one year period ran. The originally filed claims clearly claimed "two groups of wire meshed together" and "two groups of wires of material having different shape memories." Therefore, the new application claim satisfies the one year requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 135(b).

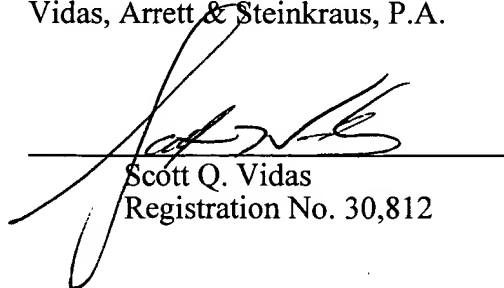
It is believed that this paper is fully responsive to the Office Action. It is respectfully submitted that an adequate showing has ben made under 37 C.F.R. § 1.607.

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